

# serve montana

## symposium

### AGENDA

Thursday, February 28, 2013		Great Northern Hotel, Helena, MT	
7:30 am	Registration opens with coffee available		Foyer
9:00 am	Welcome and Introductions		Great Northern Ballroom
9:30 am	<b>Opening Keynote Speaker</b> <i>Service through the Ages</i>	Steve Culbertson, President and CEO of YSA (Youth Service America)	Great Northern Ballroom
11:00 am	Break		Iron Horse
11:30 am	<b>Awards Luncheon</b> <i>Presenting the ReadyMontana and ServeMontana Awards</i>	Lt. Governor John Walsh Bill Basl, Director of AmeriCorps Kimberly Miske, Commission Chair Ed Tinsley, DES Administrator	Great Northern Ballroom
1:30 pm	Break		Iron Horse
2:00 pm	<b>Breakout Session A</b>		
	Legislative Rules <i>Educate or lobby? Speaking up or speaking out? Explore the rules regarding the legislative process and the ways your nonprofit can get involved.</i>	Theresa M. Keaveny, Montana Conservation Voters	Oriental Ltd.
	Veterans and Military Families <i>How do we best serve those who served us? Learn how to understand and address the needs of our veterans and their military families.</i>	Carol Josephson LCSW/LAC, Montana Army National Guard	Empire Builder
	Measuring Performance and Demonstrating Impact <i>With emphasis on evaluation and results in our world of limited funding, it's vital to know how to "count what counts". Gain tips on using data to frame your message.</i>	Thale Dillon, Montana Kids Count	Western Star
3:15 pm	Break with refreshments		Iron Horse
3:30 pm	<b>Breakout Session B</b>		
	Building Tribal Relations <i>Involving Tribal Nations is key to serving the variety of needs in Montana's populations. Find out how to build relationships and develop new partnerships.</i>	Leonard Smith and Taffy Lafferty, Native American Development Corporation	Empire Builder
	Best Practices for Remote Facilitation <i>Our vast state requires remote meetings and trainings. Hear real-life stories from local practitioners of distance collaboration, and develop a collection of best practices and tips based on the wisdom of session participants.</i>	Julie Middleton, MSU Office of Rural Health; Nicole Rush, Montana Community Foundation; and Crissie McMullan, NCAT	Oriental Ltd.
	Developing Leaders <i>Great leaders create inclusive, thriving projects, and bring out the best in others. Learn the skills needed to advance and turn your volunteers into leaders.</i>	Steve Culbertson and Michael Minks, YSA (Youth Service America)	Western Star
4:45 pm	Break		
5:00 pm	Reception at ExplorationWorks! <i>This celebration and networking event includes a chili feed and time to view the new exhibit "Unstoppable Forces: Weather Unleashed."</i>		ExplorationWorks! is the next building south of the hotel and across from the Great Northern Carousel

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Friday, March 1, 2013		Great Northern Hotel, Helena, MT	
8:00 am	Exhibitor fair opens with coffee available		Iron Horse
9:00 am	<b>Breakout Session C – Part 1</b>		
	Grant Writing – Part 1 <i>How do you search for an RFP, understand the process, and answer the questions while best describing your project with a limiting word count? Refine your grant writing skills and learn techniques to increase funding.</i>	David Young, DVM, MS, PhD, CRC, MSU Extension and the College of Nursing	Empire Builder
	Managing Volunteers in Times of Disaster – Part 1 <i>Hear from those who were part of recent recovery efforts! Gain best practices and tips for both being a volunteer and managing volunteers when disaster strikes.</i>	Dan Nyquist, FEMA Region VIII; Pat McKelvey of FireSafe; Mario Colucci, Montana Conservation Corps	Oriental Ltd.
	Using Inclusive Language and Building Inclusive Programs – Part 1 <i>This experiential session will help participants become leaders in building programs where everyone feels safe, valued and respected.</i>	Jessica Peterson and Katie Koga, NCBI (National Coalition Building Institute) Missoula	Western Star
10:15 am	Break with refreshments		Iron Horse
10:30 am	<b>Breakout Session C – Part 2</b>		
	Grant Writing – Part 2		Empire Builder
	Managing Volunteers in Times of Disaster – Part 2		Oriental Ltd.
	Using Inclusive Language and Building Inclusive Programs – Part 2		Western Star
11:45 am	Break		Iron Horse
12:15 pm	<b>Plenary Speaker and Lunch</b> <i>A history of service and a vision for the future</i>	Kirby Lambert, Montana Historical Society Bill Basl, Director of AmeriCorps Governor Steve Bullock	Great Northern Ballroom
1:45 pm	Break		Iron Horse
2:15 pm	<b>Breakout Sessions D</b>		
	Be Red Cross Ready <i>Do you know what to do in an emergency? Learn about disaster preparedness and resources for vulnerable populations from the experts at the Red Cross.</i>	Kevin Mursweski, American Red Cross; John Pavao, Dept. of Administration; and Adam Powers, Dept. of Public Health and Human Services	Oriental Ltd.
	Developing Meaningful Service Projects <i>Service projects can have great impact on both the community and the participants. Learn how to plan, implement, and replicate successful projects.</i>	Michael Minks, YSA (Youth Service America)	Western Star
	Service-Learning for All Programs <i>Service-learning engages not only youth, but all citizens in meaningful service that enriches learning and strengthens communities. Discover examples from across the state and strategies to implement.</i>	Heather Margolis, Montana Education Partnership	Empire Builder
4:00 pm	Departure- Safe travels!		

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